Graft Charges Against Emigration Staff

6459. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has ben drawn to the news-item "Graft charges against top emigration staff" published in the Times of India, Mumbai on February 20, 1992;

(b) the procedure to ensure that malpractices are not resorted to while clearing the applications; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to tighten and improve the present procedure?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The news-item relates to action by CBI in respect of some officials in the office of Protector of Emigrants involved in allegations of corruption.

(b) and (c). Procedures and guidlines are ready laid for prompt and expeditious disposal of cases requiring emigration clearnece. Action is taken as appropriate, in any case of mal-practice etc. on the part of the staff. A number of steps have been taken to simplify the emigration procedure. The requirement of proof of drawal of foreign exchange in the case of persons seeking suspension who intend to travel abroad for non-employment purposes was withdrawn w.e.f. 26.4.91. No emigration clearance is required for persons going the European and North American countries. The following categories of workers shall be also under 'ECNR' (Emigration Check Not Required).

1. Supervisors (all professions)

2. Skilled workers (all professions)

3. Semi-skilled workers (all professions)

4. Light/Medium/Heavy Vehicle Drivers

5. Clericial workers of all categories including Stenographers, Store-keepers, Time-keepers, Typists etc.

6. Cookss excluding those in domestic employment.

Calculation of Pension of Central Government Employees

6461. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will thePRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to pay pension to the Central Government employees on the basis of last pay drawn instead of the present 10 months average; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Revision of Pay-Scale of Assistants and Others

6462. PROF. PREM BHUMAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have isued an order on July 31, 1990 regarding revision of pay scales of Assistants and others;

(b) whether this order is not applicable to subordinate/autonomous offices; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The order dated 31.7.90 revising the pay scale of Assistants of the Central Secretariat Service and Stenographers Grade 'C' of the Central Secretariat Stenographers Service was issued, to set right, in accordence with the prescribed procedure, an anomaly in the scales sof pay of these grades as recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission. As there is no such anomaly in the case of subordinate/autonomous offiuces, the order dated 31.7.90 is not aplicable to them.

Institutions Founded by Department of Atomic Energy Regarding Cancer Research

6463. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the list of institutions and hospitals connected with cancer research and treatment centre which are funded by the Department of Atomic Energy;

(b) whether any proposal for purchase of equipments received from these institutions and hospitals are pending for clearance; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS(SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA):(a) The Department of Atomic Energy is fully responsible for the following institutions:-

(1) Tata Memorial Centre, Bombay &

(2) Radiation Medicine Centre, Bombay.

In adition to prpoviding treatment for cancer patients, these act as R & D centres for introduction of radio-isotopes and radiation technology in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases. The Department of Atomic Energy provides funds for specific projects leading to research in cancer as well as treatment of cnacer patients. These institutions are many. However, the major ones are:-

- Dr. B. Borooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati.
- Regional Cancer Centre, Trivandrum.
- Cancer Research Institute, Madras.
- Radition Medicine Centre, Thakurpukur, Calcutta.

(b) and (c). There proposals for the purchase of equipement. These are being evaulated by the Board of research in Nuclear Sciences and their recommendations are implemented depending upon the availability of funds in those financial years.

Filling up BackILog of Technical Posts

6464. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the PRIME MINSITER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies of Gazetted and non-gazetted posts which were notified by the U.P.S.C. and Staff Selection Commission during the speical drive of 1989 to fill up the back-log of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe candidates;

(b) the number of candidates beleonoing ot these castes who were recruited during this drive;

(c) whether the suitable candidates were not available for recruitment Gazetted technical posts; and

(d) if so, whether this back-log has been filled up now or not?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA):